HOUSE BILL No. 1655

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: None (noncode).

Synopsis: Northwestern Indiana local government finance. Establishes a legislative study committee to study issues related to local government finance issues in northwestern Indiana, including: (1) the effect of property taxes on homeowners, businesses, and economic development in northwestern Indiana; and (2) proposals concerning regionwide solutions to local government finance issues.

Effective: July 1, 2001.

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January 17, 2001, read first time and referred to Committee on Rules and Legislative Procedures.





First Regular Session 112th General Assembly (2001)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in this style type, and deletions will appear in this style type.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or *this style type* reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2000 General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT concerning taxation.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

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SECTION 1. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2001] (a) As used in this
SECTION, "committee" refers to the northwestern Indiana local
finance study committee established by subsection (b).

- (b) The northwestern Indiana local finance study committee is established.
 - (c) The committee consists of twelve (12) members as follows:
 - (1) Four (4) members of the house of representatives appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives. Not more than two (2) members appointed under this subdivision may represent the same political party.
 - (2) Four (4) members of the senate appointed by the president pro tempore of the senate. Not more than two (2) members appointed under this subdivision may represent the same political party.
 - (3) Two (2) individuals appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.
 - (4) Two (2) individuals appointed by the president protempore of the senate.



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1	(d) The committee shall do the following:	
2	(1) Evaluate the effect of property taxes on homeowners,	
3	businesses, and economic development in northwestern	
4	Indiana.	
5	(2) Evaluate proposals concerning regionwide solutions to	
6	local government finance issues in northwestern Indiana.	
7	(3) Study any other issue related to local government finance	
8	issues in northwestern Indiana.	
9	(e) The committee shall operate under policies governing study	
10	committees adopted by the legislative council.	
11	(f) The affirmative votes of a majority of the voting members	
12	appointed to the committee are required for the committee to take	
13	action on any measure, including the final reports.	
14	(g) The committee shall issue a final report before November 1,	
15	2001. Copies of the report shall be given to the governor and the	
16	legislative council.	
17	(h) This SECTION expires December 31, 2001.	

